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Veterinary

Number of Veterinary Hospitals closed during the last triennium.

* 418 *Q.*—Mr. M. B. Rangaswami Reddi: Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(*a*) the number of veterinary hospitals closed in the Madras Presidency during the past three years; and

(*b*) when they were closed and why they were closed?

A.—(*a*) & (*b*) The hospital attached to the Livestock Research Station, Chintaldevi, was closed in 1932–33 consequent on the closure of the station itself and the hospital at Sivaganga in 1934–35 as the Sivaganga estate would not contribute adequately towards its maintenance.

Education

Proposal to reduce the tuition fees in the Law College, Madras.

* 419 *Q.*—Mr. K. A. Nachiyappa Gounder: Will the Hon. the Minister for Education and Excise be pleased to state whether there are any proposals for reducing the rate of fees levied from the students of the Law College, Madras, and if so, what they are?

A.—There are no such proposals.

Mr. K. A. Nachiyappa Gounder:—"May I ask the Hon. Minister, Sir, to state whether the Law College, Madras, is not working at a good gain to the Government?"

The Hon. Diwan Bahadur S. Kumaraswami Reddiyar:—"Yes; at some gain; it makes up the loss incurred in regard to so many other institutions to a slight extent."

Mr. V. M. Ramaswami Mudaliyar:—"In view of the fact that this college's finances are sound, will the Government consider the desirability of reducing the fees, especially in view of the fact that students are drawn to this college because such classes have not been opened in other colleges?"

The Hon. Diwan Bahadur S. Kumaraswami Reddiyar:—"The Government have no such proposal of reducing the fees; on the other hand, they would be inclined to consider the question of raising it."

Mr. V. M. Ramaswami Mudaliyar:—"What is the approximate gain made by the Government on this college?"

The Hon. Diwan Bahadur S. Kumaraswami Reddiyar:—"Notice."

Vacancy of the post of Persian Munshi in the Government Muhammadan College, Madras.

* 420 *Q.*—B. Pocker Sahib Bahadur: Will the Hon. the Minister for Education and Excise be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether there is a vacancy in the post of a Persian Munshi in the Government Muhammadan College, Madras;

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(*b*) whether any steps have been taken to fill up the said vacancy and if so, what those steps are;

(*c*) whether there is any proposal before the Government to modify the existing rule in the Madras Educational Rules in respect of the said appointment and if so, what the objects and reasons are for the proposed modifications; and what is the nature of the modification proposed;

(*d*) whether the Government or the Director of Public Instruction or the Principal of the Government Muhammadan College, Madras, has received any applications from candidates for the post and if so, who the applicants are and what their respective qualifications are;

(*e*) whether the said appointment is to be made by the Government in consultation with the Public Services Commission or independently of them; and

(*f*) whether the Public Services Commission has been consulted by the Government as regards the proposed modifications of the rules and if so, what the opinion given by them is and if not, why not?

A.—(*a*) Yes.

(*c*) The attention of the hon. Member is invited to Notification No. 699, dated the 29th August 1935, published at page 1221 of Part I of the *Fort St. George Gazette*, dated the 10th September 1935.

(*b*), (*d*) & (*e*) The appointment has to be made by the Director of Public Instruction in consultation with the Madras Services Commission who have been addressed by the Director.

(*f*) Yes; but the Government consider it undesirable to publish the views of the Madras Services Commission in regard to individual amendments to rules.

B. Pocker Sahib Bahadur:—" May I know why this modification was made in the rules?"

The Hon. Diwan Bahadur S. Kumaraswami Reddiyar:—" On the recommendation of the Head of the Department."

B. Pocker Sahib Bahadur:—" Was the Board of visitors consulted in this matter?"

The Hon. Diwan Bahadur S. Kumaraswami Reddiyar:—" I cannot say."

Memorandum presented to the Hon. the Minister for Education and Excise by the District Educational Council, Salem, on the 19th February 1935.

* 421 *Q.*—Mr. K. A. Nachiyappa Gounder: Will the Hon. the Minister for Education and Excise be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether a deputation on behalf of the Salem District Educational Council met the Hon. Minister on the 19th February 1935 and presented a memorandum praying for adequate grants;

(*b*) what action was taken on the representations made by the deputationists and what orders have been passed in the matter; and